HERE is a sprightlier and more varied program in store for society this week than obtained during the seven days just closed. Several important weddings are scheduled, along with a repetition of Mrs. Barney's pastoral play produced at Friendship May 4; some rather larger dinner parties than usual for the spring, and other social and charitable events.

Miss Elise Marsteller's marriage to Harry Sanderson Mulliken, Tuesday, at the home of Major and Mrs. James Cresap Ord, will have all the charm of a suburban wedding in the spring, and with blossoms without and blossoms within, surely a popular bride could not ask for a more tasteful or beautiful setting for her nuptials.

Wednesday the extremely simple but impressive wedding of Howe Totten and Miss Priscilla Stearns will take place at St. John's Church, 2 o'clock having been chosen for the hour. Mr. Totten has served as best man and usher at a full score of weddings, and has decided that the latter luxury may be dispensed with at his own marriage, Miss Stearns agreeing fully with him upon this point. So all of the friends of the young couple will go to old St. John's at 2 o'clock, just as though they had received real formal invitations-none were issued-and will select just such seats as they like. It is a pretty idea and will work well where two people are as well known and as popular as Mr. Totten and the bride-elect.

There will be no "bridal tour," wherein again this wedding will differ from all others of the spring. Mr. Totten has bought a pretty place over in Virginia, near Mt. Vernon, and he and his bride will spend their honeymoon there. In all other respects the wedding is quite conventional, Mr. Totten having as best man John Spalding Flannery, while Miss Janet Stearns will serve as bridesmald for her sister. R. E. Pairo will give the bride away, and Rev. Roland Cotton Smith will officiate. -

Thursday's bride is Miss Edith Harlan Child, a Supreme Court girl in that she makes her home with ther grandparents, Justice and Mrs. Harlan, out Fourteenth street. Erastus Corning, jr., 3d, has been in Washington for several days, and all preparations are complete for the wedding, which will take place at 4 o'clock in the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Miss Child will have as maid of honor Miss Eloise Sargent, who will give a small tea for the bridal party Wednesday afternoon; and as bridesmaids Miss Edith Miller, Miss Mary Carlisle, Miss Hester Shepard, of Washington; Miss Elizabeth Knox, of Troy, N. Y.; Miss Mildred Stimson, of Boston, and Miss Joanna Bird, of East Walpole, Mass. Parker Corning, of Albany, will be best man for his brother, and the ushers will be Albert Lamb, Lewis A. Sayre, and Paul T. Jones, of New York; F. W. Bird, of East Walpole, Mass.; Donald Thompson, of Pittsburg, and Richard White, of Providence, R. I.

The reception at the home of the Justice and Mrs. Harlan will not be a large one, merely including the bridal party, relatives, and the most intimate friends of the girl bride.

The Ben Greet Woodland players never fail to interest Washington people, and their four performances here will all be well attended. That of Friday afternoon, when "The Tempest" is the play, is under the auspices of the women interested in the Cathedral Close, with Mrs. James R. Garfield in charge. The play begins at 4 o'clock at Woodley lane and Connecticut avenue, and special car accommodations will be provided by the Chevy Chase road.

Friday and Saturday nights performances and Saturday's matinee, which begins at 3 o'clock, will all be under the auspices of the Smith College Alumnae Association, of which Mrs. Busbey is president, and Mrs. Francis Hawes chairman. This is a strong association in Washington, containing a number of prominent women, and so far they have been successful in the sale of seats. Saturday afternoon the Ben Greet company will present "As You Like It," and Friday and Saturday evenings "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 prominent people will congregate at the Washington Barracks to play euchre for the ladies of the Army Relief Society, which has for its object the help of the widows and orphans of our fighting men. The big ballroom will be used for general games, and a smaller room will be set apart for those wishing to play bridge. Mrs. Humphrey has charge of the affair, assisted by Mrs. Borden and Mrs. Koerper.

The exodus of diplomats begins within the next seven days, and from this week until the middle of June departures will be of frequent occurrence. Lady Durand and her Mr. and Mrs. Watson, who have taken the Hawthorne cottage. Lady Susan Townely will sail for Europe Thursday, and will be joined the first of June by the counselor of the embassy, Mr. Townely. They

will spend the summer abroad. At the end of this week the Mexican Ambassador and Senora de Casasus will go to New York, accompanied by their family, and will sail for Europe May 24. A charge d'affaires will arrive from Mexico this week, to take charge of diplomatic affairs in the absence of the ambassador.

Miss Durand gave a unique tea for her big St. Bernard last week, inviting a number of other canine pets to attend. Muff, the small white pet of Mr. and Mrs. Watson, appeared at one of the tables, while other well-known dogs with wonderful pedigrees and equal social rank dined at other tables.

Mrs. Charles J. Bell's tea was the most pretentious social affair of the week aside from the reception at the Japanese embassy, and surely there was never a prettier sight than that of the gayly gowned women promenading about the galleries and walks, or resting in the flowerladened drawing rooms. Calls at the Japanese embassy were quite short, almost without exception the visitors there directing their drivers or chauffeurs to go direct to Twin Oaks, the place of Mr. and Mrs. Bell. Mrs. Bell received alone, and dispensed with the services of her friends in pouring tea, rather leaving them a freer mode of entertainment. The hostess were a soft pink silk gown trimmed with creamy lace, and a white hat with pink plumes. Mrs. Gardiner Hubbard, who assisted her, wore a gown of black net and lace. Between three and four hundred guests called during the afternoon.

The announcement, or rather, re-announcement, of the engagement of Miss Kathleen Clayton to Grant Duff, who has just been appointed minister to Havana, came as a pleasing surprise to close the week. Miss Clayton is an agreeable woman and is much liked here. The breaking off of her engagement to Grant Duff followed closely upon the announcement two years ago, and was a complete surprise to society. No plausible reason was given, and it has always been supposed that a mere lovers' quarrel was the cause.

Baron Moncheur has been host at several stag dinners this season, quite entertaining affairs, where every man invited is a good talker. The baron always takes these occasions to show off his favorite cat, by having it eat from his left hand, while he joyfully swings it by its tail with his right hand an accomplishment much thought of by his

The Moncheurs will also take an early departure from the Capital. going to Beverley early in June, where they have a house for the sum-

#### Personal

Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks will leave Washington at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning for Birmingham, Ala., where they will remain for a short times They will attend the closing of the Methodist conference, before which the Vice President was to have made a speech, had he not been detained at the Capital by business earlier in the week,

Society people in Washington are greatly distressed over the fact that there will be no horse show at Chevy Chase Club this swing. It is said the decision is the restle of a controversy between the horse show association and

being opposed to the show on account of the damage done to the links each year. Miss Katherine Elkins, Miss Gaff, Mr. Langhorne, Mr. Brun, and a number of well-known Washington riders will attend the Baltimore horse show, which

Howe Totten was among the numerous hosts for small dinner parties at the Chevy Chase Club last night, having among the guests Miss Priscilla Stearnes, to whom he will be married at St. John's Church, at 4 o'clock Wednesday; Miss Janet Stearns, and his best man. John Flannery.

ing a brief visit to her old place at Lake Geneva, Ill. Her sister, Mrs. Victoria Carver Thompson, opened the house a week or more ago, and made the members of the golf club, the latter | week or more ago, and made every.

rival. Mrs. Thompson will remain there for the summer, but Mrs. Leiter has taken a house in Scotland, where, after a visit in England to her daughters,

A., accompanied by Mrs. Cummings and each, are to be had from Mrs. Blount,

the Countess of Suffolk and Lady Curter their theater at The Oaks for a pleasing program to be given there Tuesday, remain until fall.

Lieut. Col. Albert S. Cummings, U. S. A., accompanied by Mrs. Cummings and the Countess of Suffolk and Lady Curter their theater at The Oaks for a pleasing program to be given there Tuesday, May 22, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the benefit of the orphaned children of San francisco. The tickets, which are \$1 and Mrs. John Joy Edson. Colonel and Mrs. Worthington, the Misses Boardman, the Hon, and Mrs. Worthington, the Misses Boardman, the Hon, and Mrs. John F. Stevens, Mrs. John F. Stevens, Mrs. John F. Stevens, Mrs. J. Holdsworth Gordon, Representative and Continued on Page Five, this Section.)

ton and is at present at the Ebbitt or at the Tea Cup Inn. There will be a reading and recital, several numbers from a noted violinist, a splendid control to their theater at Tea Cup Inn. There will be a reading and recital, several numbers from a noted violinist, a splendid control to the reading and two sopranos.

Rev. and Mrs. U. G. B. Pierce, Chief Justice and Mrs. Peelle, Gen. John M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard M. Green, Mr. and Mrs. John Joy Edson, Colonel and Mrs. Worthington, the Misses

Mrs. George Huff. Comptroller and Mrs. William Barrett Ridgely, Mrs. John M. Gale, Senator and Mrs. Dryden, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Gordon, Senator and Mis. Joseph B. Foraker, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Warner, and Mr. and Mrs. Mc-Gowan.

Capt. and Mrs. Newt Hall, the latter formerly Miss Rosebud Harrington daughter of the late Gen. Francis H. Harrington, will leave Washington early in the week for New York, where the captain has been ordered for duty.

Miss Marlam Crosby was hostess for a dinner party of young people last night, at the residence of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Crosby.

Mrs. Harrington, widow of Gen. Francis H. Harrington, and her son, Dr. Francis Harrington, have given up their apartment at the Portland, and are living at 1357 Park road.

The death of Mrs. Henry Honore, in Chicago, May 6, will place her daugh ters, Mrs. Frederick Dent Grant and Mrs. Potter Palmer, both in mourning Mrs. Honore was eighty years old, and so remarkably well did she bear herself that she might have lived for years yet, but for a fall which resulted in her

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